

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. Claims 1-4, 6-11, and 13-15 have been amended hereby. Claims 1, 7, 13, and 14 are in independent form. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Claim 1 has been amended in part along the lines requested in the Office Action in paragraph 3. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the claim is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to address the objections to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a) set forth in the Office Action in paragraph 4. For example, the recitations “a module” has been replaced by --means for--. It is submitted that the drawings show every feature of the invention recited in the amended claims. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested of the rejection of Claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement; and second paragraph, for including limitations lacking sufficient antecedent basis.

The claims have been amended in part to address their rejections, as set forth in the Office Action in paragraph 6 and 8. In particular to change the recitation “node” to nodes, and to provide antecedent basis to all the limitations.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent Claims 1, 7, 13, and 14, and the claims depending therefrom, meet all requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully

requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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